Clifford O'Connor Jr

WHO'S WHO

By CARLO A. UCHELLO

No that the time has come when I and the members of the Senior Class may consider themselves as members of the Alumni, I wish to renew in the minds of the readers the feats and the active part the seniors have played in this scholastic year.

To begin with, we must consider the class officers, the boys who are the leaders not only of the Senior Class, but also of the entire student body. They have led with all their power and their traits of leadership—a class of boys who deserved such excellent leaders, as were elected by popular vote at the beginning of the year. Let it be known that they have accomplished very much as a result of their undying efforts to put this year's class on the top of them all.

One great thing about the present day seniors is that they have not only quality, but also some high marks of quality combined to make one greater senior class, one of which all the members can boast that they are part of, and can look back on the days and say with great pride that they were once a member of that great class of 1942.

The past is one great thing to look backward upon; but what the future holds, God, and God alone, is the one who knows how these boys will live after they leave St. Stanislaus. But they will, I'm sure lead their lives as they have lived them during their stay here. Some of the members will find themselves in defense jobs, others in the service of our country, still others in science, medicine, or in business of their own and maybe God will give others the vocation to enter into the service of their Maker. But whatever they do, or whenever the occasion arrives, you can bet your boots that they will try to fill their jobs and vocations with their greatest ability.

It may be a coincidence, but why *is it that, whenever a man is* sort about to meet another in some athletic contest, members of the senior class seem to outnumber the others. There must be some reason for this. I believe that they are trying to give example and to bring fame, and a widespread knowledge of their class, anyway, to the world at large.

In order to fit the occasion, I want to give this message to the members of my class, a message which I am sure will remain in their hearts.

"Go out into the world with a firm desire to do your part of the world's work, with the help and loving grace of God."

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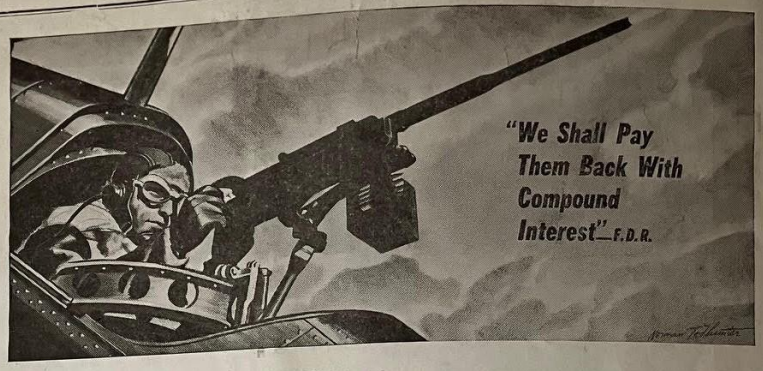

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All College Men May Enlist for Immediate Service

2. All college students may enlist as privates in the Army Air Forces (unassigned) and serve there until their turns come for Aviation Cadet training.

3. All college students may enlist in the Air Force Enlisted Reserve and wait until ordered to report for Aviation Cadet training.

Upon graduation or withdrawal from college, men will be assigned to active duty at a training center as facilities become available.

If the necessity of war demands, the deferred status in the Army Reserve may be terminated at any time by the Secretary of War.

The new Army Air Force Enlisted Reserve Plan is part of an over-all Army Enlisted Reserve Corps program shortly to be announced. This program will provide opportunities for college men to enlist in other branches of the Army on a deferred basis and to continue their education through graduation if a satisfactory standard of work is maintained. In case of necessity the Secretary of War shall determine when they may be called to active duty.

It is understood that men so enlisted will have the opportunity of competing for vacancies in officer's candidate schools.

This plan has been approved in the belief that continuance of education will develop capacities for leadership. (Reserve enlistment will not alter regulations regarding established R. O. T. C. plans.)

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"QUALITY PLUS QUANTITY" IS BOAST OF SENIORS

SUMMER SCHOOL OF CATHOLIC ACTION

To Be Held in New Orleans From June 8-13

The year of 1941 saw the Summer School of Catholic Action reach a new high with an attendance of 6,- 000 priests, seminarians, brothers, sisters, laymen and laywomen. The schools were held in St. Louis, Pittsburg, Boston, New York, and Chicago, all to record crowds.

This year, 1942, the Summer School of Catholic Action comes within range of a still wider circle of Catholic Leaders. The wide geographic range of the session should make certain another record attendance.

The Summer School of Catholic Action will be held in the following cities:

New Orleans—June 8-13
St Louis—June 15-20
St Paul—July 6-11
Dalton—August 17-22
New York—August 24-29
Chicago—August 31—Sept. 5

As in former years, the courses will be open to anyone interested in promoting the cause of Christ and Our Lady. As always students from universities, colleges, and high schools will be welcomed as well as any Catholic who wants to know his faith more intelligently and practice it more effectively.

If anyone desires further information on the Summer School of Catholic Action, apply to the principal of this school.

DOGPATCH IS SETTING FOR ANNUAL JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

On the night of May 16, the Junior-Senior Prom was held. This particular one will undoubtedly fall into the history of Stanislaus as one of the best Proms ever held. In the old gymnasium one could perceive such a tremendous transformation, that it was difficult to note the original shape and form.

Surrounded by beautiful decorations and the theme being so popular, the dance was a great success. Every minute characteristic of Dogpatch, the theme, was brought out in some place or other in the decorations. The ceiling was a hugh mass of lovely Spanish moss drooping gently and through which glittered green lights giving a soft pleasant color. The sides of the gym were centally covered with pine trees. Issuing from the trees, came soft red light which made its appearance from the windows of the cabins. These cabins gave all the appearance of a genuine Dogpatch village, which the settling resembled.

The music, capably furnished by Johnny DeBroit and his orchestra, made the gym with melodious dance rhythm. The crowd attending showed appreciation expressed their sincere appreciation by saying that it was the best orchestra that ever played for such an affair.

The Ball is summed up by saying that the dance was a great success in every close to surpassing those of previous years.

SALUTATORIAN

ARTHUR J. PEREZ

Our Salutatorian, Arthur Perez has been a pupil here at Stanislaus for the past seven years. The seventh year marks the height of his high school career. He has acquired quite a few honors during the past years. Among these being the second highest in his class for four consecutive years and attaining the honor of being Salutatorian of the senior class of '42 also the honor of being the Editor of the Rock-A-Chaw. He is a very active Sodalist, having given a speech at the first annual Coast Convention. Arthur is also a very active athlete having played football and participated in track and many other intramural sports. But he really excelled in basketball at forward this past season being high score man for the team.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY SEES ROCK-A-CHAW AT HEIGHT OF GLORY

At the end of the tenth year of publication, the Rock-A-Chaw, has reached its greatest height. This year's sales have surpassed all others and very high compliments have been paid to the staff by the faithful readers of the St. Stanislaus paper.

Ten years ago, Brother Edmund started publishing a small magazine which he called The Rock-A-Chaw. From this small magazine with a very small circulation grew this large attractive school paper which ranks with the best in the country.

The present staff, under the good leadership of the editor, has strived to make the paper not only attractive but also it has tried to give it a high journalistic standing. It is thought that these aims have been reached, so it is now up to the future staff to keep up the hard work and good spirit which this staff has had throughout the year.

Contributions Made To USO And To China Relief Fund

During the present world crisis, the citizens of the United States have been asked to contribute to the support of the United States armed forces. Many loyal citizens have invested in the United States Defense Bonds, others have made personal sacrifices to contribute to the U. S. O. and China Relief.

Never lacking a moment of cooperation, the boys at Stanislaus have contributed generously. Seeing it a duty to contribute to such worthy causes, they have not hesitated in doing so. Each boy has been asked to give twenty-five cents, and from all indications and reports they have by far fulfilled their obligation.

Last week $30 was presented to the U. S. O. and $15 to the China Relief Fund. That is the spirit which Stanislaus has and that is the spirit which wins wars.

GUEST SPEAKER

REV. WARREN J. BARKER, S. J.

Father Warren J. Barker, S. J. To Address Grads

It will be the great privilege of St. Stanislaus to have with them as guest speaker for the Commencement Exercises, Rev. Father Warren J. Barker, S. J. Father Barker is an outstanding figure in the educational field being Dean of Faculties and Studies at Loyola University of the South. Besides this he is President of the Louisiana College Conference and is very prominent in this organization, having been chairman of last year's meeting of this association. Father Barker is a member of several educational groups among them being the National Catholic Education Association and the National Education Association.

Prior to his appointment at Loyola three years ago Father Barker was stationed at Spring Hill of Alabama and there he commenced his gradual rise to an educational authority. Above all he is a very learned man having attained his Master of Arts Degree from St. Louis University.

He is very much interested in the future of Education.

FORTY-NINE SENIORS TO BECOME ALUMNI SUNDAY

VALEDICTORIAN

HUGH MARTIN KIEFER

This year we are honored by having for the speakers for graduation two outstanding and well known sons of Stanislaus. They both excel in sports as well as in studies.

As you know, in order to become Salutatorian and Valedictorian, a pupil must have attended this school throughout his high school years. Hugh Kiefer has been here 6 years, during which time he has held many class offices. In his Freshman year he was Treasurer. In his Sophomore and Junior years he was Secretary. Hugh has played two years of J. V. football and this year excelled in varsity at the position of halfback. Besides this, he played two years of basketball and was in his earlier years at Stanislaus a State Champion in boxing.

HOLY MASS TO BE CELEBRATED IN HONOR OF SENIORS

As the custom goes, the graduating class of the year will attend Holy Mass at the Church of Our Lady of the Gulf. The services are scheduled to take place at 7 o'clock on the morning of May 31, the day of the Commencement Exercises. All the graduates will attend, clothed in full graduation apparel, cap and gown.

The intention of the Mass is for the graduates, to ask God that whatever they undertake in their future life, they may attain success in it but above all that they might persevere in their religious practice.

acceleration of college courses and has taken a very active part in arranging this program at Loyola. Under the newly arranged plan at Loyola school will begin on June 5 and will extend for three calendar years to include four academic years.

Father Barker is a very excellent speaker and is even well known as a baritone singer.

Though the topic of his talk to be presented at the exercises has not been definitely announced, it is believed that he will present a speech on "The Change War Has Brought to Education."

Stanislaus To Lose One Of Largest and Best Classes Ever

At the close of 1942 when Uncle Sam is scouting about for potential material to make fit defenders of the freedom enjoyed by citizens, St. Stanislaus is liberating into the world a class which combines not only quantity but also quality and everything else that goes to make a gentleman of character.

During the past scholastic year the Seniors have accomplished so many praise-worthy deeds that there is no doubt whatsoever in the minds of the boys as well as of the faculty concerning their success in attaining such a reputable record as the one they have succeeded in establishing for themselves. Wholesale remarks and innumerable rumors pertaining to a boast created by the witty Seniors have been circulating the campus lately. This boast is phrased "Quantity plus Quality" and is regarded as an exceedingly precious thing by all the members of the present Senior Class. Never in the history of St. Stanislaus, except in 1930 when 90 boys graduated, has there been such a large number of boys enrolled in a Senior Class. Indeed the Seniors possess quantity and quality for the class has exactly 49 members, each and everyone a real gentleman imbued with Catholic principles and doctrines. According to most of the people who have lent an ear to that boast, it is one of the most intelligent sayings ever heard around these parts, mainly because it holds truth in its meaning.

Early in September the Seniors commenced their last High School year's campaign by electing four boys, who in their estimation, were bright, reliable ,and popular enough to lead the class. All through the scholastic year these four boys steered their class over the right roads, always overcoming any obstacles that might interfere with class affairs, and never ceasing to strive for the glorious success which they now possess after nine long months of perseverance.

When the Mission Drive came around, the Seniors were the first to sponsor any sort of money making campaigns. In regards to these various drives and any other that arose, the Seniors never failed to stir up enthusiasm among the boys and urge them to contribute larger sums for the swelling of the foreign mission funds. Due to their efforts, St. Stanislaus collected enough money to reach its highest peak—the biggest sum ever acquired since the inauguration of this especial annual drive.

Another occasion which showed the Seniors' ability to cope with problems, was the time when Brother Peter selected nine of the choicest Seniors to head his previously organized society of the Blessed Sacrament. A gigantic task of spreading examples throughout the campus grounds and helping boys cultivate a more fervent devotion towards the Blessed Sacrament confronted the nine promoters. With no hesitations whatsoever, they tended the problem, and because of their splendid leadership and smoothly

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THE END,—BUT THERE IS MORE

WE have worked, we have labored, we have accomplished success in another scholastic year. That is the statement which most of us can now truthfully utter, for truly, though it has not been an easy year for anyone, it has been filled with success. We are joyous because of that. We are happy because we have lived another year, and we are all the more wise for it. Yet we cannot help but feel sorry, because many of the students whom we hold very close to us will never return again because forty-nine seniors will leave on Commencement Day and will never return as students. And, though many might be reluctant to admit it, they will soon realize that Stanislaus has certainly been good to them and that they have had an easy life here at this school. Yes, perhaps, we all find it hard to realize what Stanisaus has done for us, but I fear that we will find out, only too soon, that we lived almost on a bed of roses, though we have learned through practice, all that character embodies and that, to say the least, is not easy.

Many of us soon will be inducted into, or enlist in the services of Uncle Sam and we are happy that many are ready to serve—that freedom and liberty might be perpetuated, but again we feel sorry for we know that among the students who are this May 31 leaving or graduating from Stanislaus there are some few and perhaps many who will be on the casualty list of some future battle. That isn't too pleasant a thought, but I don't think that it is pessimistic to view such things. They are very likely to become actualities. However, during these last few days, I think that it would be a good idea for all boys to include in their prayers the intentions of the student body and especially of those who are to graduate, for though they might not need the prayers now, there will come a time within the next few years, and perhaps sooner for many, when nothing but prayers can do good. There will come a time when one of us many students might drift from what we have been taught at this school—from our religion. That is why we should ask God that if such a thing occurs, the erring one might be enlightened and return to the straight and narrow path of righteousness. The wide and easy road of wrong doing is overcrowded with those who make it difficult for right to survive. Perhaps, that is why there is so much disturbance now existing in the world.

Whatever might come of our furture lives, we can be well assured that we have received the best foundation for success. Yet, for the seniors that is not to say that we should lean back and say that our education is complete, for in the present war conditions, if permanent success is desired, nothing but specialized education can survive. The lowerclassmen ,too, should realize this and plan accordingly. It should never be forgotten that "Education is the best defense," whether it be against national enemies, or against those people or things that prevail against our moral and physical well being. It should be remembered too that the education of a wise man never ceases until the moment that he has ceased to breathe.

Having all this in mind—sorrow, joy, hope, fear, and other emotions, we publish our last edition of the Rock-A-Chaw, and having all this in mind, we, the Staff, bid the students adieu, hoping, though we doubt it not, that the graduates to be, will serve their country and do everything in their power to contribute to the maintenance of our Constitution, and the peace and freedom of the non-agressors of the present conflict.

Blanchard Has Record As Greatest Footballer In Stanislaus History

In 1915 Felix Anthony Blanchard graduated here at St. Stanislaus. On May 31, 1942, Felix Anthony Blanchard, Jr., will graduate also here at St. Stanislaus. Like father, like son. This saying is very true in this case. After graduation in 1915, the present Dr. Blanchard, who resides in Bishopville, South Carolina, entered Tulane University where he was an outstanding football star. Although he did not play football here at St. Stanislaus, Dr. Blanchard played 60 minutes of splendid football in every game that Tulane University played during those years in which he was working towards his Doctors Degree in Medicine. Of Dr. Blanchard it was said by his coach, Clark O'Shaugnessey, "that when the big boy got mad enough, he was the best football player he had ever seen."

In 1938 Dr. Blanchard sent his son "Doc" to his old Alma Mater. "Doc" was 13 years old then, and on his fourteenth birthday he played in the Toy Bowl. In that game he starred; making the longest runs of the evening. That's when the coaches and fans began to see what this youth had in him. During the following two seasons Felix continued starring in every game the Rock-A-Chaws played. This year, his Senior year, he surpassed all his previous greatness by being the best star on the best team St. Stanislaus has ever had. He is undoubtedly the best football player St. Stanislaus has ever produced.

Let us look back through this year's season and see what the sport writers had to say about him. The following quotations are taken from New Orleans newspapers. I wonder what they would have said about "Doc" if he had played in that city.

"Powered by that daring fullback, Felix "Doc" Blanchard, the St. Stanislaus Rockachaws rolled over their rival Catholic High Bears this afternoon in Tiger Stadium by a 21-6 score."

"Doc" Blanchard, crashing thru the Jesuit line time and again with the power of a double-duty battering ram and the fury of a cornered tiger, stole the whole show Sunday as he led his St. Stanislaus teammates to a thrilling 7-6 victory over the battling Blue Jays before 13,000 fans at City Park Stadium."

"The great "Doc" Blanchard displaying all the drive and power of a supertank, led his team to victory over Gulf Coast Military Academy, 28-7."

"There are many star players on these four classy teams. Perhaps the standout of the lot—in fact, the standout high school player of the South this year—is "Doc" Blanchard of St. Stanislaus. This 200 pound, 17-year-old youth, whose daddy was a Tulane star of a generation ago, is acclaimed the best all around high school player ever developed in these parts."

Those quotations confirm what we think of Felix Anthony Blanchard, Jr., but what is most praised by his fans and schoolmates is his ability to take publicity and glory. "Doc" acts no different from the last substitute on the team, in fact, he may be humbler.

Football coaches assure us that "Doc" is the best prospect for college football they have ever seen. Anyone who has played against him will verify the truth of that statement. We feel sure that "Doc" will be a great star on any college team, just as he has been here at Stanislaus.

Choir Attains Success Under Brothers Otto and Regis

Brothers Otto and Regis wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to the Choir Boys for their fidelity and kind cooperation during the various practices.

Those who were most faithful were: Teny Carter, John Carter, Billy Taylor, Joe David and Albert Fayard.

During such a short period of organization this Choir has made rapid progress. Such progress would not have been attained if it were not for the sacrificing of their time.

Let's hope that next years the Choir will be reorganized, but with a larger number of boys.

Contributed by the American Society of Magazine Cartoonists.

CURRENT COMMENTS

By ARTHUR PEREZ

Nine months have elapsed and the school year is practically complete. As this, the last issue of the paper for the school year of '41-'42 goes to the press ,thoughts of the success of the past year flash thru our minds.

We view all the activities—social life, sports events, and classes and see that in spite of world turmoil, we have certainly laid a record of which we should be proud. We view them all and know that all our efforts have not been in vain. We have seen, we have worked for, and we have reached our goal—the completion of a very successful year attaining our end of better learning, combined with spiritual development.

To sum up the year, I might say that it was started with a bang when the Rockachaw football team of 1941 tallied up victory after victory, not just winning every scheduled game but thoroughly conquering every competitor by large scores. Of course that is with the exception of the Jesuit game in which the Rocks were unable to get started. Nevertheless the Rocks did terribly outplay the Jays to defeat them by the score of 7-6. The rest of the games of the season resulted as follows: Catholic High of Baton Rouge was defeated by the score of 21-6. On October 5, the powerful Red and Black team downed the Alvelus Crusaders by the score of 14-0. In the Homecoming Game, with Catholic High of Donaldsonville, Stanislaus was once more victorious by the score of 41-6. Moss Point was handed a 27-7 defeat on the night of October 17. On October 24, the Picayune Panthers were defeated to the tune of 29-0. Lyon High was another easy victim for the Rocks and was defeated by the humiliating score of 41-12. In the last scheduled game of the season, G. C. M. A., an extremely powerful and fast team, was thoroughly surprised by the super power and super speed of their superiors ,the Rocks. The Cadets lost 28-7.

Viewing their undefeated record and their potentialities of drawing a very large crowd, the Red and Black team from Saint Stanislaus, was readily given an invitation to the Annual Toy Bowl in New Orleans for the benefit of the Doll and Toy Fund of the Times-Picayune. Without hesitation, the invitation was accepted but not for a moment did any of the faculty, students, or members of the team think that they would beat a college-like team when they met the McComb Tigers on the night of December 5. They were thoroughly surprised, so much so that when the team got onto the field, they could not match the speed and power of the well-coached Tigers. For the first time of the year was the Stanislaus eleven defeated. However, the score of 25-6, was certainly no indication of the fine competition that the Rocks did offset to the McComb Tigers.

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Immediately after the termination of the football season, basketball practice was commenced. Under the direction of Coach Burge the team progressed rapidly with the promising material which he had on hand. Swiftly did the team develop, for though they lost the first several games, they made up for their defeats by turning in several astonishing victories. At times the team looked as if it was composed of champions, for their performances were almost error-less, but then there were those times, too, when they seemed at a loss for basketball ability. What that might be attributed to? I don't know, nor does anyone else. However, it is well known that that inconsistency caused the Rockachaw cage team to lose in the finals of two tournaments, after turning in fine performances, defeating teams which no one expected them to down. But defeats and victories are all in a season's work and the cage team composed of "Doc" Blanchard, Elmer Breerwood, Arthur Perez, Hugh Kiefer, and Henry Reynolds ended their season winning half of their many encounters.

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With basketball, completed the last organized sports activity of the scholastic year, for due to the lack of outside competition, the boxing squad was discontinued, the baseball season called off, as was the track season and after a few days of work, the spring football training was terminated because of the fact that Coach Burge was to be taken into Uncle Sam's Navy within a short time. However, the national crisis warrants that all youth be kept in good physical condition so that they might serve their country adequately when called upon to do so. For that reason compulsory military exercises were begun. This was directed by Mr. Burge prior to his departure for the services. That activity which has continued for some five weeks, now is still in full swing and will not be discontinued until the last day of school.

That in brief is a summary of all the sports activities for the year. That, however, is only a part of the many diversions that faced the students. Throughout the year at intervals there are certain social activities which offer much entertainment and diversions to the students. Among these were the annual Harvest Ball which was one of the best ever staged; the Carnival Ball which was quite enjoyable; the May Festival presented by St. Joseph Academy and attended by students was among the best; the Academy's Junior-Senior Prom also attended by many students; the May Festival at Bay High to which Juniors and

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G. CARRERE, JR.

G. Carrere, Jr., Officers School U. S. Coast Guard

r. Carrere of Waveland, graduated from St. Stan- with. The following year Loyola University where course in Business Admin- last September, Edward the Coast Guard and was to the New Orleans dis-

time ago Edward was of a group of twenty recess to go to the ard Training School at Beach, Long Island, New ere he is taking an inten- e which may lead to a on in the Coast Guard.

Many Eighth Graders To End Grammar Career

Just as the Stanislaus Senior Class is about to make its debut in the world, so are there many boys who will receive their Grammar Grade diplomas, certifying that they have terminated schooling in the grammer grades, and that they are well prepared to enter into the Freshman year of high school.

During the course of the past scholastic year the Eighth grade has achieved many things worth mentioning. Their share in the Mission Drive proved to be a great success, just as their share in participation of sports on the athletic field, showed itself one of the main factors contributing to the unquestionable success of the class as a whole. In deportment they demonstrated plenty of quality and in other things pertaining to the behavior of the other grammar grade classes, they never failed to give good examples and let the other boys profit by what they learned and knew.

Due to their laborious works and pains taken in their school work these boys have succeeded in passing the grade and are thus ready to enter next year's class in a very good condition.

Brother Roy and Brother Flavian, the two brothers responsible for a large portion of the success of the Eighth Grade this year, wish each and onye one of the boys who will receive his diploma Sunday, the best of luck in his next high school years as well as in his personal future life.

The boys who are to graduate from the grades are:

Jack Arnold, Glynn Bannister, Rupert Batchelor, William Bourdin, Coleman Currie, Francis Fabacher, Jack Fisse, Donald Foley, John Greco, Lee Hayden, Carl Johnson, Edward Mayengo, Andrew Martinolich, Francis Poolson, Rory Rafferty, Rodney Ranson, John Ryan, Theodore Schmidt, William Staehle, Edward Steiner, Leo Taconi, Robert Thomas, Phillip Nemi, Rudolph Damico, Julio Noval, Salvador Noval, Clarence Morgan, Henry Prevost, John Smith, Robert Scharff.

Perez's Form Long Line Of Successions At St. Stanislaus

Jose Perez to Succeed Arthur Perez As Editor of Paper—Arthur Perez Succeeds Anthony as Speaker

This past school year we were privileged to have an Editor-in-chief who was concerned and was actually worried over the success of this paper. Everyone knows him for he is a member of long standing at Stanislaus. He is sincere in most things he encounters. His name, as everyone knows him, is "Hook." In society his name would be Arthur Perez. "Hook" is an excellent student and athlete. He was a member of the varsity basketball team this year. However, he is not the only Perez that has made a name for himself here at Stanislaus for during the many years at this school they have succeeded each other in many things Arthur Perez succeeded Louis Perez as forward on the basketball team. Arthur Perez will succeed Anthony Perez as Salutatorian and now Jose Perez, the last of the line, will succeed Arthur Perez as Editor of the Rock-A-Chaw. He also succeeded Anthony Perez, his brother, as guard on the basketball squad. The odd thing about all the Perezs is that they are two pairs of brothers, in no way related to each other. Arthur and Louis are brothers and Jose and Anthony are brothers. Louis and Anthony Perez were members of the graduating class of '41. At present Anthony is attending Spring Hill College and is doing fine work. Louis has enlisted in the Army Air Corps and is awaiting his summoning to training.

Jose Perez has been informed that he is to be Editor-in-Chief of next year's paper. He really deserves this honor for it is only an honest acknowledgment of the hard hours he has put forth to make the Rock-A-Chaw such a success. He has proven his literary ability already. Though it is known that Frank Thomas will be Associate Editor, the remainder of the staff will not be disclosed until next school year.

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Very Reverend, and Reverend Fathers,
Dear Teachers,
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It has been my good fortune to be chosen to represent the class of 1942 in bidding you welcome to the eighty-eighth annual Commencement Exercises here at St. Stanislaus, and this I do with the deepest pride and sincerity. We welcome you to witness another class on the advent of departure from this grand old institution.

It gives myself and all my classmates the most heartfelt joy to see the faces of so many happy parents and those of our associates who have so eagerly followed our progress through our carefree school days. However, you our loved ones who are also happy and proud of the occasion may be experiencing mingled feelings. Perhaps at this very moment your hearts, dear parents, are filled with joy at having accomplished so well your sacred duty under God, of giving your sons the means of educating themselves in a school of such venerable age and high achievements.

Today you see here before you the fruits of your sacrifices and heartaches. You see men of ideals, because, and only because you have given them the advantage of an unparalleled type of education. And yet, with the joy, you must feel a bit of sorrow at having your sons leave this safe harbor to embark into a world emmersed in a terrible bath of blood. But you will be proud that they are Americans and as such they will serve their country with the best of their ability.

At this moment when we will take a man's place in a world of turmoil, fear not for us, for we feel that we have received the best weapon with which we can best defend ourselves and make good citizens and good defenders of your freedom and ours, We have received the best weapon—a good education with staunch religious foundations.

You are not alone in your mingled feelings, for we too are subject to such emotions. It will not be easy for us to leave behind us the many good friends which we have made here, nor will it be easy to leave our teachers, the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, who have endeared themselves to us by their tireless and patient efforts to see that our progrss in learning might not be delayed. I do not wish to forget to welcome to these exercises our fellow students who have been instrumental in making our years of education here such pleasant ones, and at the same time I wish to bid them adieu, for our hope is that we may soon meet again. And, you, Brothers, we bid an earnest welcome and farewell, and may we promise that when we are assailed by troubles and difficulties we shall recall all that you have taught us. But, we will miss your helpful council and guidance. So we bid you welcome here to witness the passing into the world of your former pupils.

All this, somewhat subdues our joy at having successfully completed the course of studies prescribed for us. Nevertheless we feel a satisfaction in our accomplishment for it is the key to all our future success.

Again Parents, Brothers and Friends, we are happy to welcome you.

Forty-Nine Seniors To Become Alumni

(Continued from page 3)

performed work, the spiritual welfare of the student body was boosted to a considerable extent. That alone could have been enough to assure the Seniors success as a Class.

Then early in April, when Springtime came, to beautify the countryside with its tender weather and favorable conditions and nature was actually aware of its presence, Brother Peter accompanied the Seniors to a closed retreat at the Old Jefferson College. There each Senior was given a chance to test his spiritual capabilities as well as to see whether or not he was walking on the left path leading down or on the right highway leading up to everlasting life in Heaven.

Last but not least, the Seniors were exceedingly active in the field of sports so much so that they composed nine elevenths of the varsity football squad and four fifths of the basketball quintet. Due to their all out efforts the football team received a cordial invitation to the annual Toy Bowl and the basketball squad reached the finals in several tournaments. The school session of 1941-1942 is considered as one of the most successful athletic seasons of St. Stanislaus, and had no Seniors taken part in these sports, many doubt that such glorious victories would have been possible.

As a class the Seniors never went into something in a disunited manner. Every little thing done by the class during the course of the last scholastic year was performed in a unified way. That is one of the main reasons why everyone who was acquainted with any of the members of the class praised them to such a large extent. Indeed the 1942 Stanislaus Senior Class is considered one of the best groups of Catholic lads graduating from this institution. So, to all the Seniors who are on the eve of their departure, the student body, faculty, and numerous acquaintances throughout the town of Bay St. Louis, wish them the best of luck in the outside world where they will have an opportunity to demonstrate the different things which St. Stanislaus taught them. May they never deny God and always follow their religion as taught here at St. Stanislaus. Everyone rests assured that they will not fail to do their utmost to attain success as they did here while they were members of the 1942 Senior Class.

VALEDICTORY

Reverend Fathers; Kind Teachers; Honored Parents; Gr... Friends; Fellow Classmates.

This is a very momentous day in the lives of the m... of the senior class of 1942. While our hearts are filled ... elation over the fact that we have reached the end of our ... school course, yet at the same time there is a feeling of s... at the thought of leaving St. Stanislaus, the teachers, class... and pleasant environment which surround us. No matter ... our future life holds in store we will always look back upo... school-days here at St. Stanislaus as the happiest per... our lives and we will always realize that the foundation of ... ever success we may obtain in life was laid by the friendl... inspiring examples and teachings of the good Brothers.—Br... Peter, especially, for his untiring zeal and personal interes... each and every one of us we will remember always as ... than the president of our school; he will remain in our h... as close to us as our own fathers.

To all of these: our school; our teachers, our friends ... classmates we have but these few precious minutes in wh... say,—farewell. We shall say goodbye with our lips but ... with our hearts, for these memories will always live, like ... ing embers, in the fireplace of our hearts.

Tomorrow we face a new day and with it, a new era in ... lives. We know that the world today is going through a ... perilous and difficult epoch and that it will take all of ... stamina, faith, courage and determination which Christian ... can muster to surmount the difficulties and hardships of the ... ing years.

We cannot excel nor so much as equal other people if we ... short in grace and holiness. We as graduates of Stanislaus ... well equipped in these essentials. We have received not ... a material education but a deep rooted spiritual faith in Alm... God. This religious training will burn like a torch of ... in our souls, lighting the way through the darkened pa... oppression and tyranny which now threaten religious and ... freedom throughout the world.

No matter what our intended vocation, calling, or pa... ambition in life may be, present day conditions will compe... of us to sacrifice them temporarily and give our services ... defense of our country, our homes, and our God, which w... gladly do in a manner which is worthy of graduates of St. ... islaus, and true, loyal Americans. We hope that we, ... Class of 1942, may live to be a credit to the teachings ... school and an example to the graduating classes which are ...

With the words of one of our illustrious patriots "Gi... liberty or give me death" ringing in our ears we go out ... troubled world determined that this government of the ... by the people and for the people shall not perish fr... earth."

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JOSEPH H. ARBOUR, JR.

During my three and a half years here at St. Stanislaus I have been very happy. I have met many fine boys here and in leaving I want them to know that I will miss them as well as the school itself which is my second home.

LUKE BENIGNO

I will never forget the happy six years that I have spent at Stanislaus.

FELIX BLANCHARD

For the past few years my main objective was to graduate. But now that it has come I feel that I will miss the school and the boys more than I thought.

ELMER BREERWOOD

It has been my inestimable privilege to have had the opportunity to attend St. Stanislaus for a period of eight years. I have many dear memories of the school and I have no doubt they will remain with me forever. The Brothers have always helped me whenever I needed aid and I am sure that no other school could have offered me the training that I have obtained here.

STUART BURRIS

All that I am or ever hope to be —I owe to my year at Stanislaus.

JOSEPH CAIRE

I might forget many things during my life's span but one thing I won't forget is my years at St. Stanislaus.

EDWARD CARRIO

I have been looking forward to this day for many years, but now that it has come I wish I had a few more to spend at Stanislaus.

JOSEPH CIMO

No greater privilege could any boy receive than to attend Stanislaus where each individual is given equal attention that his spiritual, mental, and physical qualities may be developed. Besides these high objectives the friends and companions will make it difficult upon departure.

JORGE CLARE

It seems to me as it was only yesterday when I first came to Stanislaus, yet, I have been here 730 days, and I am happy to say that I have enjoyed every one of them.

GEORGE COMEAUX

I have enjoyed my stay at Stanislaus for the past four years. I am happy to graduate, of course, but I hate to leave the school and the boys

FLETCHER DANIELS

I have never met a finer bunch of boys; the teachers are really swell fellows also. I am sure I will profit by my year here.

RICHARD FREEMAN

I grieve more than words can express at having to leave this great school of character. The boys who have years left them here do not realize how lucky they are.

ANDREW V. FRIEDRICKS, JR.

On leaving Stanislaus, I feel indebted to Brother Peter and the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, and also to my parents for sending me here to receive such a good religious education. I will take this opportunity to thank them all.

CARLOS GREEN, JR.

To me, St. Stanislaus is the ideal school for young men who wish to receive a wonderful character training.

FERNAND H. GOUAUX

I thoroughly enjoyed my stay here at Stanislaus. I honestly believe that it is one of the best schools in the country.

LAWRENCE HEBERT

It will be hard to part from my friends and teachers and the dear old school which has been my home for years.

THEODORE HELLER

I have spent only three short years at Stanislaus and I shall cherish every moment of them in my memory.

LEO ROBIN INDEST

Stanislaus being my home for four years makes it difficult for me to leave.

HUGH MARTIN KIEFER

The completion of a high school education here at Stanislaus is a definite blessing for which I will never be able to repay my parents who made it possible.

EDWARD G. KOCH

I have enjoyed my five years here at Stanislaus and will leave with tears in my eyes—just wait and see; some because of the old place and the rest for those whom I have known here—my classmates and the faculty.

JACK LANG

I received the best of moral and character training during the past four years at Stanislaus.

ROLAND MARTIN

I am very grateful for, and well satisfied with, the religious and mental education I have received during my three years attendance at Stanislaus.

FRANCIS MATTLE

I have been coming to Stanislaus for four years and I really and truly regret to leave. The discipline and training that I have received will be very useful in future life.

JOHN McCONNELL

I have been glad to have had the opportunity to graduate from a Catholic School with such a fine reputation. It was a long year but I made it and it was enjoyable.

KENNETH McAULIFFE

Although I have only been here one year I feel as much a part of the school as those of long standing. It's a good school.

BEN J. MOISE

Although I have only been here two years I feel as though I've been given not only scholastic merit but also a tremendous character development.

EDWIN MOISE

It is to me the realization that what I have looked forward to for so long, has at last come to reality.

OLLO MOLLERE

After being at Stanislaus for some years I do not think a better or more complete education could be had elsewhere. I am very happy to be a graduate of this school.

EDWARD MURTAGH, JR.

I am proud to be a graduate of St. Stanislaus. A better and more complete training could not have been obtained anywhere else.

JAMES NECAISE

I feel that with the thorough knowledge of our religion, the high quality of education and character development we have received at Stanislaus, we are ready to enter this conflict of nations with the necessary materials for success.

CLIFFORD O'CONNOR, JR.

I have attended St. Stanislaus for four years. I feel that it will be hard to leave to go out into the world.

JAMES O'DONOHOE

What Stanislaus means to me can hardly be put to words. Now that I am leaving, I believe that the lump in my throat best describes the feeling. As far back as my remembrances go I've been looking forward to the moment of graduation, and now that the moment has arrived, though I am happy about it, I find that my sorrow at leaving my friends of long standing and a place dear to my memory, sort of blunts the expected feeling at my graduation.

OSCAR PACHECO

Of course I regret leaving St. Stanislaus, it's faculty, and students. I have profited tremendously by the education which I have received here and shall be indebted to my parents who have made my stay here possible. I would like to advise all the schoolmates whom I leave behind to take full advantage of the time that they spend in this good old place.

ARTHUR PEREZ

Because I am human, I have at times been dissatisfied here, but now as I leave I know that that dissatisfaction has been all folly and I feel that if I had it all to do over, I would relive my seven years here the very same way as I have already done.

OSCAR M. PRADO

St. Stanislaus has meant for me a considerable improvement in spiritual, mental and physical condition. I will always be indebted to those who have made my stay here possible and I will have a sweet remembrance of this school, no matter how far I go.

EDWARD POWERS

My last two years here have been the happiest of my life. I hate to leave all of my friends, especially the class of '42.

J. T. PROSSER, JR.

I am now finishing my seventh year here at Stanislaus and I can say without being urged that I have looked forward to each year when I was to return. The seven years which I have spent here really have been enjoyable and unforgettable ones because of the fine companions and the excellent guidance of the faculty.

ARTHUR RICHARDSON

St. Stanislaus has meant to me a place of good friends, good hard study, and a great builder of character.

OTTO ROEMER

St. Stanislaus has been the main part of my daily life for the past ten years. I will always be proud of the school for its great religious and character training.

JULIUS ROLFS

I just wish all boys had the educational, physical and mental opportunities that we have enjoyed here at Stanislaus.

LESLIE SCALES

This is a school in which anyone can further himself in his religion.

ADOLPH SCHMIDT II

St. Stanislaus shall always remain foremost in my mind as the greatest benefit that could befall any American youth.

BOB TORGERSEN

This is my first and yet my last year at Stanislaus. And it may seem ridiculous to some, but I for one enjoyed this one year better than any one year I've had at school yet.

CARLO A. UCHELLO

One could write a book telling of one's thoughts, wants, and activities during one's stay here at Stanislaus. However, summed up in as few words as possible, "I am inclined to believe that with the consolation and guidance of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, I am emerging from Stanislaus a better boy."

HAROLD ZIMMERMAN, JR.

As I look back this day, and recall the day I entered Stanislaus an overwhelming emptiness enters into me. A feeling of something lost, but still a feeling of something gained comes as you leave these old halls. How many have gone out of them before, how many will pass through them in the years to come. What desolation? Good-bye, Saint Stanislaus.

ENDING OF YEAR BRINGS BRO. PETER'S 4TH YEAR TO CLOSE

The drawing to a close of the scholastic year of 1942 brings to an end the fourth consecutive year that Brother Peter has been at Stanislaus improving the premises. From the very beginning a score of more years ago when Brother Peter was first stationed here, he did much to improve the school in general. Since his reappointment to this school four years ago he has done innumerable things to improve the living and educational facilities of the institution.

Among his many works are the admirable rose gardens in front of the campus, the blushing green grass on the back campus where a desert like sand yard once existed, the beautiful new dormitory, the new work shop which is now nearing completion and many other incidental things which are too numerous to mention here.

Alumni Day Called Off As Patriotic Gesture

The annual Alumni Day which was was to have taken place on May 22 was called off because transportation facilities were lacking for the old Grads to get to their Alma Mater. Many of the younger Alumni are in the services of their country and were thereby unable to attend. In view of the fact that there would be very few graduates able to be at Stanislaus on account of the world strife the annal reunion was called off.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE FOR 1942 IS PLANNED

In our modern age football is the predominating sport. Everyone all over the nation seems to admire courageous and hard fighting teams

Although it isn't known who will be mentor of the squad of next year, one can be assured whoever takes the position will rank with the best.

As yet the complete schedule cannot be had, but the known schedule reads as follows:

Sept. 21—Catholic High, Baton Rouge
Oct. 2—Aloysius, New Orleans
Oct. 9—Pacagoula, Pascagoula.
Oct. 16—Moss Point, here.
Oct. 23—Pending
Nov. 1—Pending
Nov. 6—Gulfport, here
Nov. 13—Picayune, Picayune
Nov. 20—G. C. M. A.—G. C. M. A.

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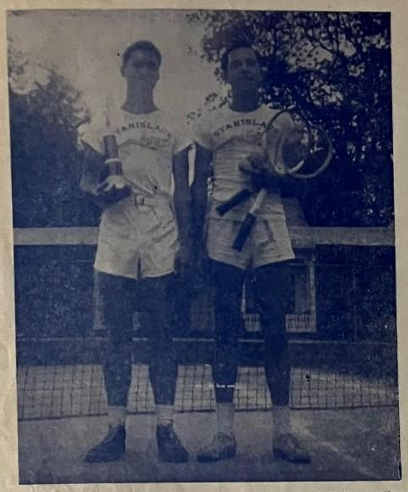

These are Jack Johnson and Archie Wood who together walked away with the annual intramural tennis tournament. In the singles tournament, Jack was victorious with Archie a close second. In the doubles, Jack and Archie Wood together were victorious.

SO WHAT

Getting out this paper is no picnic.
If we print jokes, people say we are silly,
If we don't, they say we are too serious.
If we clip from other papers
We are too lazy to write it down ourselves.
If we don't we are stuck on our stuff.
We ought to be out hunting up news,
If we get out and try to hustle,
We ought to be on the job in the office.
If we don't print contributions,
We don't appreciate genius,
If we do, the paper is full of junk.
If we make a change in a fellow's write up,
We are too critical.
If we don't we are asleep.
Now likely as not, some one will say,
We swiped this from some other paper,
AND WE DID.

CURRENT COMMENTS

(Continued from page 4)

Seniors were allowed to go; the annual Stanislaus Junior-Senior Prom which ranked in entertaining qualities with any that has ever been presented-even with that of last year and the year prior to that, were all appreciated by those who made use of the privilege of attending.

Among the successful events of the year were the many drives of which the annual Mission Drive was the most fruitful. To say the least, it was the largest ever held, since there were but a few classes who turned in less than $2.00 per boy. That is something to boast about, but that isn't all, for in the other drives such as the Red Cross Drive and others—Stanislaus as a unit never failed to do its share in contributions.

Of course the religious activities of the year should not be overlooked for were they not a success, the efforts in other fields would be pointless, for we have learned that it profits us nothing to gain the whole world and suffer the loss of our soul. One doesn't have to go very far to see that our religious activities have not merely been successful but above all, they have been above the ordinary. For instance, let us view the work of the Society of the Blessed Sacrament. That organization has done more toward making Holy Mass more frequented than has other organizations in the school. In fact, the boys who belong to the society have made an ardent promise that they will attend Mass at least five times every week including Sundays and Fridays. There are in the organization, more than fifty students. This, in itself, is something that deserves a lot of credit. Of course not much publicity has been given to this group, for news concerning it has been scarce and their purpose has not been to seek publicity, but to further themselves in their religion. Then, there is the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin which has existed in this school for a great number of years. In fact, it is the oldest organization of its kind along the Coast. To climax the activities of this organization, a Coast Student Sodality Convention was held on April 12. This was the first convention of this type, and the intentions of the moderators and directors of the various Sodalities have expressed their desires to make this an annual event. The convention itself was successful insofar as it was the first of its kind and in spite of the fact that transportation had been very difficult to procure. Some two hundred and fifty sodalists attended.

There were the outstanding events of the year, but they are but a few of the many activities which keep the students busy throughout the year.

I could go on writing pages of scholastic events which have taken place and have been successful, but as ever, space is limited, so I will conclude knowing within myself that the year has been among the best ever witnessed, and hoping that all students too ,hold the satisfaction which comes with the completion of a very fine scholastic season.

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